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DIA Declassification/Release Instructions on File

1. Agency DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
Component/location ACofS Plans and Programs - PENTAGON  
Purpose or principal activity (military planning, foreign aid, briefing, research, etc.) MILITARY PLANNING  
Your position (job title) Intelligence Research Specialist  
Your fields of responsibility (geographic area and/or specialty) WORLD WIDE
2. Is the NIS Production Status Report available for your use? ☒ Yes ☐ No  
Do you regularly use it? ☐ Yes ☒ No
3. Receipt of NIS units is:  
☐ Regular and systematic      ☒ Irregular, with some gaps      ☐ Sporadic and uncertain

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4. Below is a list of available NIS publications.

a) Indicate in column I the frequency of use by means of the following symbols:

A=Regularly      B=Occasionally      C=Rarely      D=Never

b) Indicate in column II your use, according to the following symbols (multiple uses may be indicated):

1=Planning and operations

2=Research, analysis, and production

3=Briefings

4=General background and orientation

5=Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Col. I	Col. II		Col. I	Col. II	
<u>A</u>	<u>1 4 2 3</u>	General Survey (check sections used most frequently)	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Telecommunications
	<u>—</u>	Chronology	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Population
	<u>—</u>	Introduction	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Characteristics of the People
	<u>—</u>	Geography			
	<u>—</u>	Transp. and Telecom.			
	<u>—</u>	Sociological	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Religion, Education, and Public Information
	<u>—</u>	Political			
	<u>—</u>	Economic			
	<u>—</u>	Scientific	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Manpower
	<u>—</u>	Armed Forces	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Health and Sanitation
	<u>—</u>	Area Brief	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Intelligence and Security
	<u>—</u>	Summary Map	<u>B</u>	<u>1</u>	Subversion and Insurgency
<u>A</u>	<u>4 1 3</u>	Basic Intelligence Factbook	<u>B</u>	<u>1</u>	Agriculture, Fisheries, and Forestry
<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Coasts and Landing Beaches	<u>B</u>	<u>1</u>	Fuels
<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Weather and Climate	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Electric Power
<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Meteorological Organization and Facilities	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Minerals and Metals
<u>B</u>	<u>1</u>	Topography	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Manufacturing and Construction
<u>B</u>	<u>1</u>	Urban Areas	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Trade and Finance
<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Railroads	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Armed Forces
<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Highways	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Marine Climate
<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Inland Waterways	<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Oceanography
<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Ports and Naval Facilities			
<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Merchant Marine			
<u>C</u>	<u>1</u>	Civil Air			

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5. In general, do you consider yourself:

☒ a. Regular user of NIS publications

☐ b. Infrequent user

6. If you checked 5,a, above, which of the following best describes NIS usefulness:  
(If more than one applies, indicate rank by using 1 for highest.)

☒ Principal source of information

☐ Secondary source

☒ Supplies information in a conveniently assembled form not otherwise available

☐ Supplies corroborative information

☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

7. If you checked 5,b, above, which of the following best describes your reasons for only infrequent use:  
(If more than one applies, indicate rank by using 1 for highest.)

☐ Not readily available

☐ Not sufficiently current

☐ Too summarized and generalized

☐ Too detailed

☐ Only marginally related to my needs

☐ Needs filled by other publications (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

☐ NIS of value only in conjunction with other publications (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

8. Has the NIS been consulted for crisis situations, crash projects, or emergency planning?

☒ Yes ☐ No Why? for the Basic Data it contains.

If you checked "Yes" above, how useful was it under these circumstances?

☐ Excellent

☒ Good

☐ Adequate

☐ Marginal

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9. With reference to the NIS publications listed in 4, above, what are the major shortcomings you have found in the NIS? (Please relate these to your own needs, considering adequacy of coverage, reliability of content, currency, length and detail of presentation, and security classification.)

*No major shortcomings in relation to NIS seen in my present assignment (perhaps this is because of my long association with NIS program). - accelerated General Survey coverage is most helpful and from my observation has increased the use of the NIS.*

(answer may be continued on the reverse)

10. What specific suggestions can you make for improving the content (including graphics), coverage, organization, and format of NIS units?

*At this point in the role of intelligence in DOD the single most important contribution the NIS Committee can make is to promote in every way possible the use of the NIS and promulgate the significance of continued basic intelligence production. This is particularly critical at this time of cost escalation and increasing*

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*emphasis on the current/estimative  
intelligence and when every budget  
review cycle tends to reduce the  
basic processing/production capability.*